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#### WHERE SHALL WE LEARN ENGLISH?

HE news that many public school teachers can't spell will be no surprise to thousands of parents who note with puzzled dismey the weakness of their children in what they themselves recall as the soundest branch of early training. The old spelling matches that sharpened the wits, strengthened the memory and made good spellers who have remained good spellers all their lives are now looked upon as archaic waste of time. To-day beys and firs are expected to take in spelling through the pores.

The Committee of the Board of Estimate which has been investiguting the achools reports that teachers not only cannot spell but cannot write the simplest letter in good English. They can't even ask for their pay grammatically. Under the old-fashioned system se and girls missed much. But they were at least taught to write rect letter, were it a business-like missive to John Smith ordering a hundred apple barrels, or a polite epistic to Cousin William ing him to come to town and go to the aquarium.

Prof. Edward C. Elliott of the University of Wisconsin declares hat we maintain "hundreds of teachers whose services would not be aved in any progressive school system, primarily on account of he use of broken, highly accented and incorrect English." Modern scational science may have made great discoveries as to what is and is not "valuable to the child," but one thing remains as true mover. The most precious heritage we have is the English language the language of one hundred and sixty million people. It is the richest, the most expressive, the most vigorous and vital of living sagues. In it is preserved the finest, most varied of all literatures. The first-ambition of every boy and girl should be to speak and write is correctly. The highest duty of the schools is to keep it pure and

Borough President McAmeny has steered his municipal ice plant project through the Board of Estimate. New York City may yet be making ice and selling it to the poor this summer, despite a Mayor who "does not propose to join in any such business."

#### THE CROOK'S BEST FRIEND.

CCORDING to reports which have reached Secretary of State May, New York City harbors a "pirate equed" of at least one hundred automobiles, any one of which is ready at a nt's notice to aid criminals. The men who operate these cars we secured licenses under false names and addresses. The Secretary of State will call upon the New York police to investigate.

It has come to be a commonplace in this city that the most laring crimes, particularly those of a concerted sort, are almost invarighly "pulled off" with the help of automobiles. That thieves and rers avail themselves of the speediest and readlest means of givate conveyance yet devised is natural enough. As soon as the plane can serve their purpose crooks will be quick to make the set of it. What communities are not yet fully awake to is the fact that since the automobile makes the criminal a hundred times were dangerous and clusive it is well worth while to take extraorsary precautions to keep the two spart.

In this State, particularly, we have been so fascinated by the oblic both as a convenience and as a toy, that we have let sody run one almost for the saking. The startling increase in sply. The law will have to lay a firm hand on the ento. License ment tighten their grip. Above all, we should maintain an a force of inspectors for the city streets.

#### WHERE THEY CAN BE SEEN.

WI'S hope the Borough President's plan for a civic centre involving changes in streets north of the Municipal Building and the new courthques also will not terrify the taxpayer. In Maknesy says the scheme he has in mind need not cost more an \$6,350,000 above-the cost-of the courthouse site already under trailed into the Myrtie Room behind Bren If it did, it might still be worth while. This city has not into the tea dance room just at their

be learned that the cost of a fine public building ought to include the surroundings, approaches and opportunities for being seen to advantage. We have some first-rate buildings. But of how many of them can we get a good view? The new Municipal Building is one of which any city might be proud. Yet to see it well from the front a lost soul) as afra. Jarr yielded herself from the guidance of the Notable Plantagenet and Mrs. Mudridge-Smith took

Money will be well spent if we can make a civic centre that her place, "I beg pardon, I—ahem—an here by appointment. I am—ahem people can take in from the ground.

To Me so dear, or peace so ewest, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almightyi I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me liberty or

Died June 6, 1799.

## Letters From the People

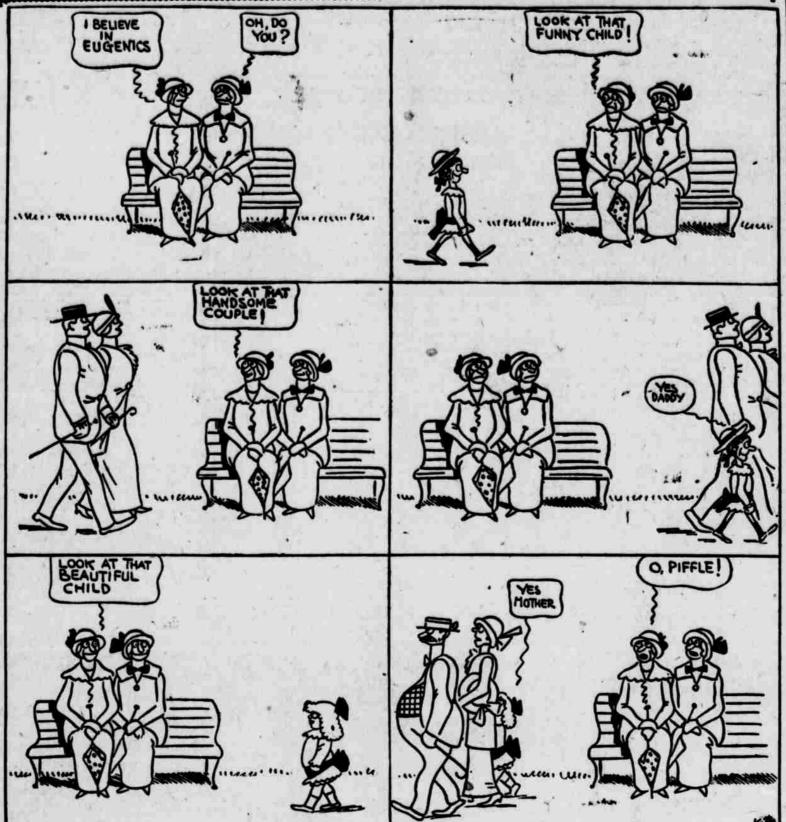
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'The "Average balary,"
To the Editor of the Evening World:

Can some reader give the average salary of young men eightson, nineteen, twenty and twenty-one grazz? This may be of immense value to serse in order that they may know if they are up to the standard in this respect. I have often noticed in this respect. I have often noticed in this selected as to the grazze along acting device as to the servage callery paid would be of

#### Such Is Life! By Maurice Ketten



# Few illy The e

DARFWHILE, where was Mrs.

Who had paid but Hitle heed to a bald-

True Goodness.

which bore the name he had given, folowed by a brave array of initials, and here." Jarr? Why, she was in the Myr-tie Reem at the St. Crossus with her dear friend, Clara Mudridge-Smith. She was having a lovely time at the tange tes. And the Notable Plantagenet he was Secretary-at-Large of the Elec-

was teaching her "The Walrus Waddle," the latest imported step from Paris.
And Mr. Jarr? Little did she deem in her best society manner, as though secretaries, whether at large or doing a hostage for a tip and without a penny in his pocket, comewhere in the big hotel.
Did she give a thought for him! She
did. She thought it was just like him

am to apeak." "The Notable Plantagenet is to pass up a tango tea with all its re-

#### \* Mrs. Jarr Teaches a Real Reformer To Dance the Merry 'Walrus Waddle'

And the little man produced a card little man, when the introduction had suppressing such dancing. For, really, "You take the lady thus," replied the

Notable Plantagenet. be placed fifra. Jarr and the little man "Why Secretary-at-Large."

Mrs. Jarr thought that the little in the first position of "The Walrus and Mrs. Jarr. "It's a tange tea."

man might be a Secretary at large, and ne, harm would be done. But she bowed Mrs. Jarr led the little man through the "I have been misdirected by the hotel mazes of it.
"What a remarkable experie

"Yes," continued the little man, "I music ended and Mrs. Jarr led him to a seat. "What a remarkable experi-

Many Great Men Losers In the Courts of Love

little whippersnapper with a twentycalibre intellect, just bear the following
facts in mind:

Syron, lady killer as he was (or
claimed to be), was rejected by a girl
to whom he postically offered his heart from the guidance of the Notable Plan-tagenet and Mrs. Mudridge-Smith took

Abraham Lincoln was unmercifully

Priscills for meek John Alden.

Charles Stewart Parnell was engaged within six years. engagement because she wanted to marry a famous man, and Parnell—then in his early years—was not yet famous perhaps, wise girls. For geniuses are enough to suit her. It nearly broke his not always easy to live with. And perheart. He threw himself into politics haps a lesser man makes a better hus-

tier because a man happens to be a wrote asking Dickens to help them out gentus it is no sign he has a genius Sut-perhaps Dickens did not get the for winning love. The next time a letter. Perhaps he thought he had atgirl ignores your charm and wit and ready paid enough in heartache, chagrin your promise of greatness and has the and disillusion. For, it is said, he did had taste to throw you over for some not give the desired aid.

said to have been jilted by a girl whose In pique he married Isabel Milbanke. family wanted her to marry a man with And they lived wretchedly ever after-

Biamarck, when he was just of age. enubbed by a girl whom he courted and became engaged to Miss Russell, a yel-who married a man whose very name is low-haired English girl, whom he met George Washington is credited with no less than three fittings on the part of Colonial girls who either could not care for him or who thought they will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who thought they will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who thought they will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who thought they will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who thought they will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who thought they will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who thought they will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who thought they will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who thought they will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who thought they will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who thought they will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who thought they will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who thought they will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who thought they will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who thought they will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who thought they will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who there will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who they will be in the colonial girls who either could not care for him or who they will be in the colonial girls who either will be in the colonial girls who either

doing so.
John Ruskin adored a French girl-a was rejected by about half the PrinMile de la Touche. He counted her long
and devotedly. When at last she turned
Mighty Miles Standish was refused by her back on him he married a girl

There are countless other cases where men who were to achieve world-fame were "turned down" by silly girls. Or.

Charles Dickens, as a young "an, adored Maria Beadnell, who was sider than he, and whose portrait he later drew as Bora in "David Copperdeld." She amused herself with the young novellat and at last dropped him to marry a man named Winter.

Winter lost his money and Maria pleas."

Dand.

In any event, hundrede of man have been driven forth into the world, into loneliness and work—and consequent greatness—by a woman's "No!" For: "Figh hopes faint on a warm hearth-older to the faintest who beautiful travels the faintest who beautiful trav

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been concluded. "I am sorry he is not I find it quite exhibarating-I am afraid the Society for the Suppression of Sug-gestive Dancing will defeat its purpose, don't you think? In fact, I find the dance, odd as it was, is not at all sug-

"Why this is not a society meeting." servanta. I asked for the dance meet-ing holden in this hotel to-day"-"And that's what detains my husband, I'll wager," reptied Mrs. Jarr. ooking for me."
"I should worry!" said the little man

"there's the music!

#### The Old, Old Story. By Cora M. W. Greenleaf. Copyright, 1918, by The Press Publishing Co. (The New York Evening World),

"I can read her just as I read a book." And in meditative mood. She glanced with a modest, inviting eye. He stayed at her side 'stead of passing

She's a sweet little thing, without too

Se he told her his hopes and plans and

It's the simplest thing on earth.) He decided "She'll make the sort of wife The salf-sacrificing kind.

The self-sacrificing kind. I can read her just like an open book." Like one to mirth inclined.

So he married her-the transparent And ere their wedding trip was done. She'd adjusted his life with care.

Louise-Has Parline's Probend

# The Stories of Famous Novels By Albert Payson Terhune

No. 32 .- KENILWORTH; by Sir Walter Scott. MY ROBSART lived in grim old Cumnor Hall, guarded by Anthony Foster, a sour-faced scoundrel. Hither, at times and privately, a handsome, splendidly attired man came to visit her. A few country folk in the neighborhood guessed that he might be her

husband. But none except Foster guessed his identity. The occasional visitor was Robert Dudley Earl of Leicester, prime favorite of Queen Elizabeth. He had fallen in love with Amy, who in turn adored him. They were secretly married. But (because a wife of any sort—especially a shy country girl—might check Leicester's rising fortunes at court) Amy was persuaded to remain hidden away for a time at Cumnor Hall.

Lelcester's master of horse, Richard Varney, was in the Earl's confidence. Variety disliked Amy. Moreover, his own future depended on his mester's, and he saw in Amy a stumbling-block to that future.

For Varney was dreaming for Leicester a dazzling dream. No less than that the Barl should become the husband of Queen Elizabeth and thus be Prince Consort, or perhaps even King, of England. Amy was a fatal obstacle to such a plan. Wherefore Varney longed for Amy's

ter was not only handsome but brilliant and magnetic as well. The Queen loved him. She showered gifts and houses upon him. Secretly she had given the magnifi-

cent castle of Kenilworth and there she had promised to visit him. Lefonster prepared to receive the Queen in wondrous state. He lavished a fortune in arranging new and gorgeous forms of entertainments for her. For by this time Verney had thoroughly instilled into the Earl the idea of marrange Elizabeth.

Amy Robsert had once been betrothed to Edmund Tressillon, a young country squire, whom she had litted for Leicester. Tressillon learned the secret of her marriage and vowed that justice should be accorded to the unhappy young wife. She was brought to Kenliworth, arriving there in the midst of the fetes in

The queen heard of the unhappy girl's presence. Her suspicions were aroused, and she demanded to see Amy. But Varney told her majesty that Amy was his own wife, and that she was too iil to wait upon Elizabeth. Varney and Leicester realized that something must be done, and done quickly, to prevent their golden plans from coming to wreck.

So Varney tried to polson Amy. The plot falled. And Amy was at last brought face to face with the queen. Elizabeth had that day listened most graciously to a proposal of marriage from Leicester. And, despite a half-hearted recusal, she had shown herealf deeply moved by it. Now, on learning that the earl was already married, the queen burst into a right royal rage.

She flayed Leicester with the fury of her reproaches. The earl's star seemed about to set forever. His prospects of becoming Prince Consort of England forever vanished.

Amy was hustled back to Cumnor Hall. And there Varney made ready the

at scene of her pittful life-tragedy.

Being told by him that Leicester had arrived at the Hall, the hapless young wife ran joyously along a dark passageway to greet her errant husband. And she crashed to her death down a trapdoor-opening that a Varney had devised.

for Amy. He mourned her bitterly, and even sought to avenge her murder. But later he returned to his old

ask comfortable in royal favor again.

# The Day's Good Stories

What He Meant. COUNG REPORTER-The storm king by

It Often Does.

Prof. Benjamin Babcock Bannister, and I am looking for the Chairman. Frederick Posdick Futts."

"I do not know him," replied Mrs. Jarr, for she saw the speaker was a healtating, harmless person.

"I am to speak—ahem—on these dances. And Mr. Frederick Fosdick Putts was to have introduced me—ahem."

"It Uiten Does.

"This she did. The Notable Plantagemet was a line of the Notable Plantagemet was none other than Mr. Michael Angelo Dinkston, who had risen to comparative affluence as an instructor of the tango, from the chilling penury of the peris irksome trade.

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"Tave you never danced any of the public school: This boy brought home his new dances before?" saked Mrs. Jarr.

I have—ahem—spoken of them. Lectured on them, in fact," replied the merk for "deportment" should have been.

"How is this?" saled Mrs. Jarr.

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"How is the father," "You have participated in them. Still, this is an excellent method of finding out just what these things are by going through with them. But it is a strange through with them. But it is a strange through with them. But it is a strange through with them.

Knew His Grandfather. night from a scientific mee

Knew His Grandfather.

SENATOR BARLET of Texas was speaking of gambling and said:

A gambler who lived in Texas became converted, foliand the Baptist Church, and after a time became a preacher. It was his duty to immerse all those when he converted.

"One Similary afternoon he had several people to beptine, and there was a large crowd to see Judge.

preacher west into the water, amid the hosaness of the crowd. Soon there slipped from his posted an are of beers, then a king, a queen, a jack, followed by a ten-apet. The boy's mother, considerably frightened, said:

"Oh. Louis, what did you do the for? Your proper grantle ther will never set out slive."

poor grandfather will never get out alive!"
"'Oh, pahaw!' replied the boy, with disden,
'Of course he will! Grandpa has got out a lot of
times on worse hands than that!" "-Judge,

#### Crafty Burglar.

THE story is told of a college professor who

### The May Manton Fashions



shd fashionable for the fittle falk and this model, that can be made in either way, serves a douole purpose. However the blouse is treated, the straight skirt is plaited and joined to an under waist so that its quite separate. The middy blouse is made with a short-laced opening and with the seams laced at the sides and is a very attractive midsummer sarment. The Russian blouse suggests cooler wather and can be utilized both for immediate needs and for the future. The use of two materials made in one view makes a good suggestion. The treatment is fashionable and it is so procied as to appeal to every mother of listic side. The best may be worn and it is so procied and, when were, it can be slipped through slashes or diguised ever the blouse. For the 6 year she, to make of one motorial, the dress will require 1 yards of make as shown in the small view the blouse will require 1 yards of inches wide; to make as down in the small view the blouse will require 1 yards of inches wide; to make and the skirt 2 yards 27, 1 % yards 28 or 1 % yards 44 inches wide and the skirt 2 yards 27, 1 % yards 28 or 1 yards 44 inches wide 27, 1 % yards 28 or 1 yards 44 inches wide 27, 1 % yards 28 or 1 yards 44 inches wide 27, 1 % yards 28 or 1 % yards 44 inches wide 27, 1 % yards 28 or 1 % yards 44 inches wide 27, 1 % yards 28 or 1 % yards 44 inches wide 27, 1 % yards 28 or 1 % yards 44 inches wide 27, 1 % yards 28 or 1 % yards 44 inches wide 27, 1 % yards 28 or 1 % yards 44 inches wide 27, 1 % yards 28 or 1 % yards 28 or 1 % yards 28 or 1 % yards 29 or 1 % yards 20 or 1 % yards

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